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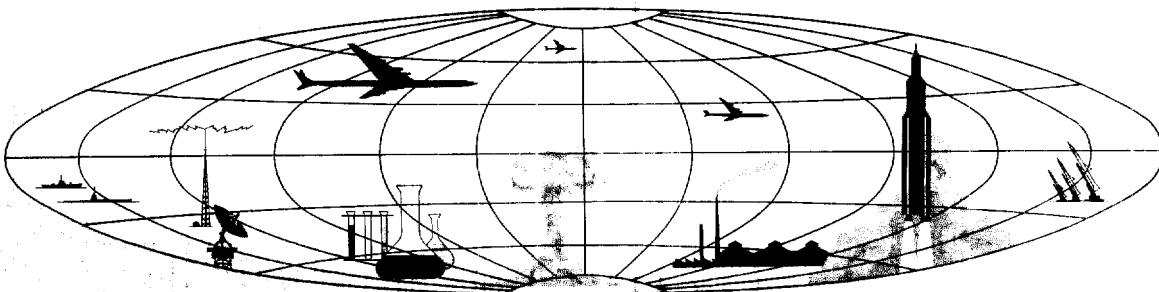
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3614, DATED 29 MAY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1D

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N 07844W

SITE CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 20 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS. HAZE AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W

SITE CONTAINS 2 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA, CANVAS-COVERED PARKING SHELTER, 4 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND 10 CANVAS-COVERED CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES.

25X1D

CAMPO FLORIDO CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 2 UNRETTED LAUNCHERS, CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA, 8 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, APPROXIMATELY 18 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, ONE LARGE AND 2 MEDIUM TENTS AND 10 PROBABLE CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES.

25X1D

GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2300N 08250W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 90 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CRUISE-MISSILE-TYPE CRATES AND  
CRUISE-MISSILE-RELATED VEHICLES ARE  
CANVAS- OR NET-COVERED.

[REDACTED]

-AIRFIELDS-

25X1D

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

[REDACTED]

AIRCRAFT -- 14 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE HARE OBSERVED.  
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

[REDACTED]

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 34 FISHBED, 18 FAGOT/FRESCO, 1 HOUND AND  
NUMEROUS DERELICTS OBSERVED.  
OBLIQUITY LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

[REDACTED]

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION, 4 C-46, 4 C-54, 2  
BRITANNIA, 2 CRATE, ONE LODESTAR, ONE C-47, AND ONE  
LIAISON-TYPE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

[REDACTED]

AIRCRAFT -- ONE FAGOT/FRESCO, 3 C-47, 3 CRATE, 5 COLT,  
AND 32 LIAISON-TYPE OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE C-47, 22 HOUND AND ONE BELL  
HELICOPTER VISIBLE.  
BLURRED IMAGE LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

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JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE HARE.

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TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

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-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 11 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, ONE PF, ONE LARGE  
FREIGHTER AND ONE COASTAL TANKER OBSERVED.  
SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

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CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

VESSELS -- 2 PC (INCLUDING ONE KRONSTADT CLASS), 4 PT  
(2 DEPARTING HARBOR ENTRANCE), AND 3 FREIGHTERS.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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[REDACTED]

CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS (2 AT MAIN PIER WITH  
HATCHES OPEN AND ONE OFFSHORE APPROXIMATELY 2 NM  
NNE OF TOWN).  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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[REDACTED]

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE TANKER.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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[REDACTED]

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

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NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- ONE POSSIBLE KOMAR-CLASS PGMG ON MARINE RAILWAY, ONE PF, 2 PC, 3 PT, 23 LARGE FREIGHTERS, 9 COASTAL FREIGHTERS, ONE LARGE TANKER AND 3 TRAWLERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS. PHOTOGRAPHIC COVERAGE IS INCOMPLETE BECAUSE OF A GAP IN PHOTOGRAPHY.

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS. HAZE AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

THE FOLLOWING WERE OBSERVED -- 61 LARGE TENTS (51 NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 7 MEDIUM TENTS (6 NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), AT LEAST 14 TANKS/SP GUNS, 54 EIGHT-WHEELED APC, AND 79 CARGO TRUCKS. THE 6-GUN AND 9-GUN AAA SITES REMAIN OCCUPIED. HAZE, SHADOWS, AND FOLIAGE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

FOUR LARGE TENTS AND APPROXIMATELY 20 VEHICLES  
VISIBLE THROUGH HAZE.

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CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08251W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
THREE CARGO TRUCKS VISIBLE.

25X1D

MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08211W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

MADRUGA, POL STORAGE 2256N 08149W

EIGHT UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE  
AREAS.

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LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08124W

MAIN CAMP -- 24 VAN TRUCKS, 4 UTILITY TRUCKS AND 34  
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.

AREA .5 NM WEST -- 14 VAN TRUCKS, 2 UNIDENTIFIED  
VEHICLES AND 4 CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES/PIECES OF  
EQUIPMENT.

TANK TRAINING AREA -- 32 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 23 OTHER  
VEHICLES.

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CAMP FACILITIES.

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GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N 08203W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWO UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

CAMPO FLORIDO, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

25X1D

FOURTEEN PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS AND 13 UNIDENTIFIED  
VEHICLES OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

MATANZAS LANDING BEACH 2301N 08126W

25X1D

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

25X1A

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
APPROXIMATELY 80 VEHICLES IN VEHICLE PARK.

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA 2304N 08133W

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NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE  
SINCE LAST COVERAGE--

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GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1	2257N 08239W
MARIEL SAM SITE	2300N 08249W
MATANZAS SAM SITE	2301N 08129W
HAVANA SAM SITE	2309N 08213W
CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE	2202N 08024W
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE	2142N 07850W
LA SIERRA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2156N 08019W
BAJURAYABO AREA MILITARY CAMP	2308N 08210W
LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP	2301N 08213W
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08234W
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W
TARARA LANDING BEACH	2310N 08212W
VARADERO LANDING BEACH	2308N 08118W
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W
LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION	2301N 08245W
CABANAS, SECURED AREA U/C	2258N 08258W

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT  
NOT INTERPRETED --

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2	2257N 08236W
CAIBARIEN SAM SITE	2228N 07929W
DELEITE SAM SITE	2259N 08045W
CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2236N 08005W
MAJANA SAM SITE	2241N 08249W
MANAGUA AIRFIELD	2258N 08217W
CAIBARIEN PORT	2232N 07928W
LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE	2252N 08233W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2258N 08220W
SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2255N 08210W
TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX	2259N 08228W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2221N 07957W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
SPECIAL AREA HOTEL	2301N 08246W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE	2250N 08233W
BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES	2256N 08223W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2224N 07953W

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MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE

2206N 07958W

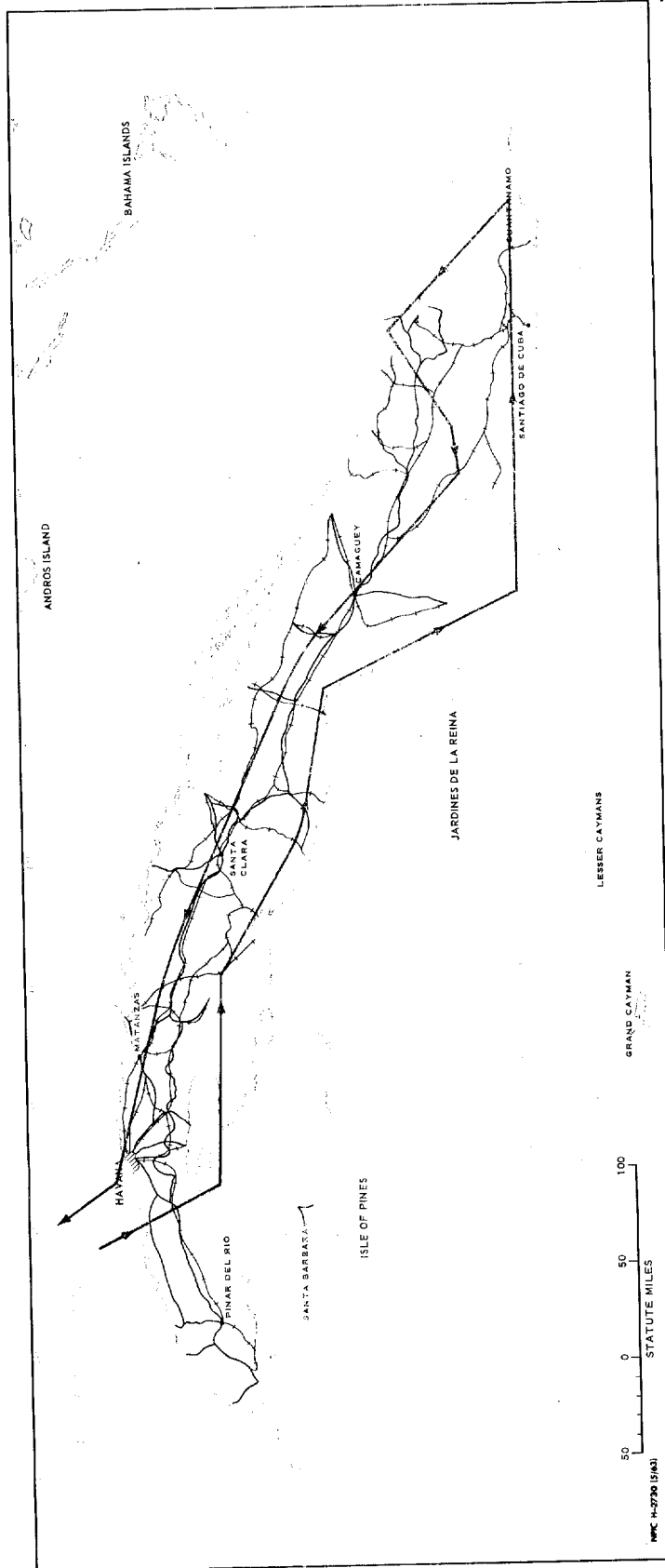
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